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LCO No. 4301



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING SWIMMING POOL SAFETY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 20-340d of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

3 (a) As used in this section, (1) "swimming pool" means a permanent
4 spa or any in-ground or [partially] above-ground structure intended
5 for swimming that is greater than twenty-four inches in depth, and (2)
6 "swimming pool builder" means a person who, for financial
7 compensation, excavates and grades for and constructs and installs a
8 swimming pool, including, but not limited to, tiling, coping, decking
9 and installation of associated circulation equipment such as pumps,
10 filters and chemical feeders.

11 (b) On or after the adoption of regulations required pursuant to
12 subsection (c) of this section, no person shall build a swimming pool
13 unless such person holds a swimming pool builder's license issued by
14 the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.

15 (c) Not later than July 1, [2012] 2016, the Commissioner of
16 Consumer Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the
17 provisions of chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section,
18 including establishing the amount and type of experience, training,
19 continuing education and examination requirements for a person to
20 obtain and renew a swimming pool builder's license.

21 (d) Any person who builds a swimming pool on residential
22 property owned by such person shall be exempt from the provisions of
23 this section.

24 (e) The holder of a swimming pool builder's license issued pursuant
25 to this section shall comply with the provisions of chapter 400
26 regarding registration as a home improvement contractor.

27 (f) A person licensed as a swimming pool builder pursuant to this
28 section shall not perform electrical work, plumbing and piping work
29 or heating, piping and cooling work, as defined in section 20-330,
30 unless such person is licensed to perform such work pursuant to this
31 chapter.

32 (g) On and after the adoption of regulations required pursuant to
33 subsection (c) of this section, any person applying to the Department
34 of Consumer Protection for a swimming pool builder's license shall be
35 issued such license without examination upon demonstration by the
36 applicant of experience and training equivalent to the experience and
37 training required to qualify for examination for such license, if such
38 applicant makes such application to the department not later than
39 January 1, 2014.

40 (h) The initial fee for a swimming pool builder's license shall be one
41 hundred fifty dollars and the renewal fee for such license shall be one
42 hundred dollars. Licenses shall be valid for a period of one year from
43 the date of issuance.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	20-340d
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Statement of Purpose:

To require a person who installs an above-ground swimming pool to hold a swimming pool builder's license.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]